

Northampton County Republican Committee
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District Attorney John Morganelli
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Dear Mr. Morganelli:

A review of some recent primary election activities within the county has raised some very serious questions concerning campaign laws, and possible violations and disregard for financial reporting laws.

Several mailings were made during the 2007 Primary Election cycle that had no disclaimer on them whatsoever. These were smear pieces sent against Brian Monahan, candidate for magisterial district judge. There was not even a "John Doe" disclaimer on any of the mailpieces.

Subsequently, a 30 day post election financial filing was found in the Voter Registration office that was signed by John Doe. There was no John Doe on the ballot, nor listed as a financial officer or treasurer of any campaign in the county during this primary cycle. A closer look provided a notarization for the John Doe under the name John Doe.

The Northampton County Republican Committee is requesting an investigation into these matters because they are apparently in violation of the Pennsylvania Statutes regarding elections and financial reporting as well as violating the proper use of a notary stamp.

Enclosed are copies of two of three campaign pieces from the 2007 Primary and the Independent Expenditure Report. There are three points that are the areas of concern as you review them:

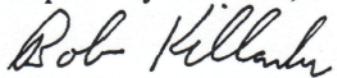
- 1) Despite the later filing of a report, the mail pieces were sent without ANY disclaimer at all. At the minimum, "Paid for by John Doe" is not seen anywhere. Whoever is using "John Doe" must still be responsible for their mail piece.
- 2) The Independent Expenditure Report is being filed by an anonymous individual for whom there is no identification by using "John Doe". There is no public record as a result. There may be other legal issues here as well.
- 3) The notarization of the report is an issue. A person signing a notarized document must sign as a known entity by their signature and be known or identified as such to the notary.

We respectfully ask for an investigation and clarification of these incidents quickly because the general election cycle is in full gear and there is great concern that this can become a "standard operating procedure" for others to use if this matter is not handled in a timely manner. It is the Committee's greatest concern that, if not handled immediately, this situation can become "habitual campaign strategy" in races of a broader scope.

We request that you review these concerns and respond prior to the end of this month of September.

Please contact me directly as the NCRC headquarters is open on a part time basis only.

Respectfully submitted,



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